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§13031. PURPOSE

The Legislature declares that the purpose of this chapter is to establish standardized qualifying examinations for those persons seeking provisional teacher certificates to teach in the State. [1983, c. 859, Pt. I, §§ 2, 3 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW).

§13032. QUALIFYING EXAMINATION

The provisional teacher certificate may only be issued to those applicants who have taken the teacher qualifying examination. The examination may be administered in separate parts and may be taken by applicants for provisional teacher certificates at any time after completion of the sophomore year of attendance at a post-secondary higher education institution. The examination must test the applicant in the following area: [1999, c. 569, §1 (AMD); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).]

1. Communication skills.

[1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF); 1999, c. 569, §1 (RP) .]

2. General knowledge.

[1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF); 1999, c. 569, §1 (RP) .]

3. Professional knowledge.

[1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF); 1999, c. 569, §1 (RP) .]

4. Basic skills. Basic skills, which include reading, writing and mathematics.

[2001, c. 471, Pt. A, §24 (AMD) .]

The applicant is responsible for the costs associated with taking the teacher qualifying examination. [1999, c. 569, §1 (AMD); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW). 1999, c. 569, §1 (AMD). 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF). 2001, c. 471, §A24 (AMD).

§13033. TRANSITIONAL PERIOD AND STUDY

(REPEALED)

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW). 1989, c. 700, §A70 (AMD). 1991, c. 682, §5 (RP).

§13034. CERTIFICATION RECORDS

The score on the teacher qualifying examinations shall become part of a teacher's certification records. These records shall be confidential to the extent authorized under section 13004. [1983, c. 859, Pt. I, §§ 2, 3 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW).

§13035. QUALIFYING SCORES

(REPEALED)

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW). 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF). 1999, c. 569, §2 (RP).

§13035-A. QUALIFYING SCORES

1. Basic skills scores. Beginning September 1, 2000, in order to be eligible for a provisional teacher certificate, an applicant must achieve the minimum qualifying scores on the teacher qualifying examination in basic skills pursuant to section 13032, subsection 4.

[1999, c. 569, §3 (NEW); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF) .]

2. Core battery scores. Until September 1, 2004, notwithstanding subsection 1, an applicant that has taken and achieved minimum qualifying scores under former section 13035 on the communications skills and general knowledge sections of the core battery of a national teachers examination taken on or after November 1, 1982 and before September 1, 2000 is eligible for a provisional teacher certificate.

[1999, c. 569, §3 (NEW); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF) .]

SECTION HISTORY

1999, c. 569, §3 (NEW). 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).

§13036. APPLICANT RIGHTS

An applicant shall be informed of the results of the qualifying examinations and have the right to retake the qualifying examinations, in whole or in part. [1983, c. 859, Pt. I, §§ 2, 3 (NEW).]

SECTION HISTORY

1983, c. 859, §§12,13 (NEW).

§13037. ONE-YEAR, NONRENEWABLE CERTIFICATE

An individual who has failed to achieve the minimum qualifying scores of this State on qualifying examinations taken pursuant to section 13035 on or after July 1, 1988 may be issued on or after September 1, 2000 a one-year, nonrenewable certificate as long as other criteria as required by the State Board of Education have been met. [1999, c. 569, §4 (NEW); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

1999, c. 569, §4 (NEW). 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).

§13038. RULEMAKING

The State Board of Education may adopt rules to implement sections 13031 to 13036. Rules adopted pursuant to these sections are routine technical rules in accordance with Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter II-A. [1999, c. 569, §4 (NEW); 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).]

SECTION HISTORY

1999, c. 569, §4 (NEW). 1999, c. 569, §6 (AFF).

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